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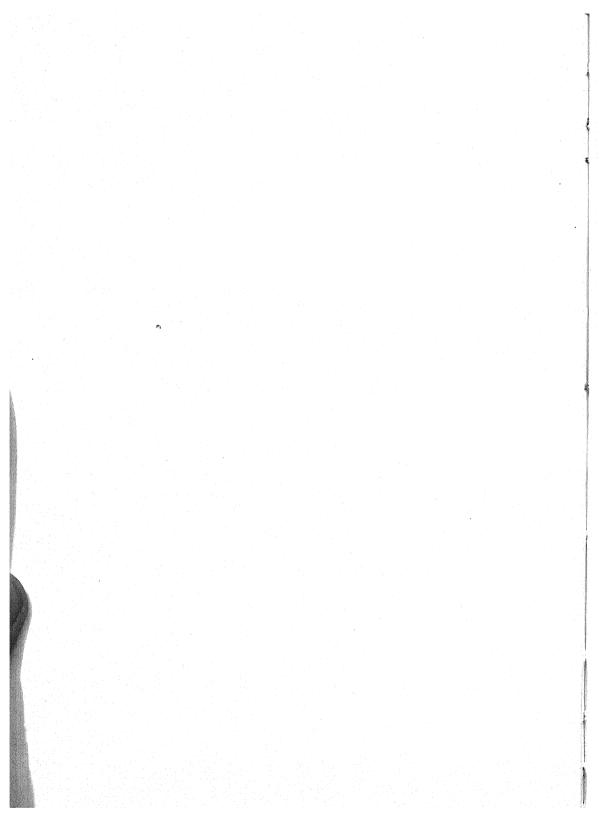
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The object of this little work is a modes! attempt by the writer to assist those who are interested in Sassanian coins and would like to know more about them, but have hitherto been deterred in the pursuit through the extreme scarcity of information on the subject. The difficulty is entranced by the fact that as nearly all the data is necessarily expert work it is therefore only to be met with in the scientific journals, either English or foreign.

The subject has always been considered as one that presented many points of difficulty, and numerous eminent numismatic and other orientalists have during the last hundred and thirty years, devoted their energies to the study of the various problems met with and as the subject is somewhat of a speculative character, many of the theories advanced have been warmly discussed and rejected time after time.

The present writer has consulted most of the works of these experts and from the material he has selected has endeavour to put together a work which it is poped will prove to be of value to both student and expert.

One cannot help but feel reverence at the mention of the names of those who did such grand work in the past-commencing with Mirkhond an 18th century writer followed by Marsden, Prinseps, Long perier, Thomas, Mord mann, Stickel, Sorn, Bastholomae and Rawlinson in the last century while research in the present one has been continued by Drowin, De Morgan and Sanuck
The greatest authority of them all however is

Mordmann whose articles on these coins and their legends were published in the Zeitschrift den Deutschen morgenlandischen Gesellschaft at intervals from 1854 to 1880. and whose work in those pages used in conjunction with Dorn's plates of the coins in the Bartholomaci collection Drowin considered, should be used as the basis of all studies on the subject." The author of the present work has made free use of that of most of the writers mentioned by quotation or otherwise and herewith gratefully acknow. ledges his indebtedness to them. The selections from ba non Rawlinson's work, The Seventh Oriental Monarchy in especial are so appropriate in their description of the coins as to cause them to be made fuller use of than pertraps is warranted, but the writer of this work hopes that the learned banon will accept his sincere apologies for making such free use of them.

amid the many persons from whom the writer has received nuch Kind assistance the name of F.W. Thomas Esq. Librarian of the India Office naturally arises first in his mind in thinking of the many times he has troubled that gentleman, but is also closely coupled with that of D. O. Godringlon, Hon. Sec, Royal asiatic Society, from whom he has always received an ever ready help, to both these gentlemen the writer gratefully acknowledges his indebtedness and warmly thanks them. To G. F. Hill Esq Keeper of the borns at the Gritish Museum and his chief assistant fallan Esq he also feels especially grateful and hearlily thanks them both for their valuable advice and assistance on a great-many occasions when in difficulty and does not forget the Kindness of Messiz Brook Mastingley and Robinson in their willingness to oblige the writer on his visits at the British nuseum.

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Introduction.

While a good descriptive his ory of the Sassanian empire such as Rawlinson's Seventh Oriental Monarchy is highly desirable as a companion to this little work, it would be out of place to attempt is describe at such a length the whole of the known history of this remarkable dynasty. I have therefore thought it the best plan to select from a reliable source a brief historical account such as the one below which is at once descriptive and appropriate. It is from the article on Persia in Ser George Newnes' well known Cracle Encyclopædia and its perusal will much assist the reader or collector in preceing together the various facts connected with the coins struck during the growth and decay of the rule of the Sassanian dynasty in Persia.

"In a. D. 228, ardeshir, a descendant of the ancient Kaianian Kings, Killed arduan, the last of the Parthean frinces, and was hailed on the battle field as Malkan Malka (King of Kings). He founded the Sassanian dynasty. We was succeeded by shapers (a. 240), who fought-successfully with the Romans and took their Emperor la berian prisoner. Among the other notable Sassanida were Varabran I, who caused manes, the founder of the manichan heresy, to be executed, Reneti who waged a long warfare with the Romans; Shapur I, under whom the empire reached a state of great prosperity, and Varah ran V., who was one of the best monarchs that ever ruled Pensia. Be fought successfully with the Roman Emperor Theodoxius and inflicted a terrible defeat on the predatory kordes of Turan. Rushirdan, as famous for his

justice as for his conquests, died in 578, leaving an empure extending from the Red wea to the basquan, from the Black Sea to the Jaxantes, and from the Mediterranean to the Indus. He was succeeded by Formage TV, who was dethroned by his son, Thurse Farres, who conquered Egypt. Syria and asia Minor, and threatened bonstantinople for ten years by a camp on the Bosphorus. In the midst of his prosperity he received a letter from Muhammad, in which the latter claimed recognition as the prophet of god, to his improves rejection of which are ascribed all his sub sequent disasters by the arab historians. He was murdered by his son shirtly ah, soon after his disastrous defeat by the Roman Emperor Heracluis. In 632 Yezdegird III ascended the throne, and was defeated in 636 at al. Nadinyah by the Saracens under Saad bin abii Wakkas, in a desperate battle which lasted three days and nights, and again in bus in the decisive battle of Nevahend. The arabs now conquered the whole country; and Persia became a part of the empire of the Khalifahs. After the murder of ali, Moa. wiyah, son of abic Sofian, selling aside the claims of the sons of all carried the seal of government to Damascus, and changed the rude auster by of the early mosterns for the gorgeous fromp of Eastern potentales, while he introduced the arts and sciences of the civilised world he was succeeded by his son yazid, in whose reign Husain, the son of ali was defeated and slain on the field of Kerbela, 680. But a numerous body of believers in Persia declared all and his successors to be the true Imams, and that this belief con. stitutes the most important article of the faith accordingly they refused to accept the Sunnal, or body of traditions given forth by abu Betts, Othman and Omar, and expected the restoration of the race of ali, who however, was cursed regularly from the pulpits of the orthodox, a custom discontinued by omar, grandson of the third thalifa.

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Soubt still exists concerning both name and date of many of the rules on this page.

The monetary standard.

The remarks of Rawlinson in his "Leventh Oriental Monarchy" on the monetary system of the Sassanians are so much to the point that no apology is necessary for introducing them here. "The coinage of actacerces, and of the other Sassanian monarchs, is based, in part upon Roman, in part upon Parthian models. The Roman aureus furnishes the type which is reproduced in the Sassanian gold coins, while the silver coins follow the standard long established in Hestern asia, first under the seleccid, and then under the Assacid princes. This standard is based upon the attic drachm, which was adopted by Alexander as the basis of his monetary system. The curious occurrence of a completely different standard for gold and silver in Persia during this period is ac-

counted for by the circumstances of the time at which the coinage took its rise. The arracide had employed no gold coins but had been content with a silver currency; any gold coin that may have been in use among their subjects for purposes of trade during the continuence of their empire must have been foreign money-Roman, Backran, or Indian; but the quantity had probably for the most partbeen very small. But, about ten years before the accession of artaxerces, there had been a sudden influx into Hestern a sia of Roman gold, in consequence of the terms of the treats concluded between artabanus and Macrinus (A.D. 217), whereby Rome undertook to pay to Parthia an indemnity of above a million and a half of our money. It is proba ble that the payment was mostly made in auti. artacerces thus found current in the countries which he overran and formed into an empire; two courages - a gold and a silver-coming from different sources and posses sung no common measure. It was simpler and easier to relain what existed, and what sufficiently adjusted itself through the working of commercial needs, than to invent something new; and hence the anomalous charactes of the new Persian system".

The coin types.

Although the monetary system of the Sassanians was, apparently, based upon the above models, the same temank cannot be applied to the type of design which is at once distinctive and original. The first coins of artacerxes were certainly an imitation of his Parthian predecessors but those struck a little later were quite of another pattern. On these he is seen to be wearing a head-dress or tiara of a novel kind, and to show that he was a de-

vous worshipper of the Hormand religion, he introduced upon the reverse side the picture of a fire altar Thereafter the distinctive head dress of the ruler, and the fire altar are two features ever present, and every Kings coins can be recognised by his own peculiar tiana, while the fire altar with or without supporters can be seen on the reverse of every coin.

The Pehlevi legends.

While the attribution of the cours has been assisted by the facts stated above, the chief obstacle to a full acquaintance of the subject is the faulty nature of the alphabet. Oweing to the continual variations made in the form of the let less no reliance can be placed upon them, and many double still exist concerning the power of some of the characters. The elucidation of a number was much assisted by the discovery of the fact. That the legends on the earliest coins consisted of repetitions of the same phorase, or parts of it, and that although the characters varied in use, their meaning was the same. The phrase mentioned consists of the following words; - Mazdayasn bagi (Kings name), Malkan Malka, Airan wa aniran, minuchatri min Yazdan"; the meaning of this being at length established as; - Mazda worshipping excellent (Kings name), King of the Kings of Iran and now Iran (extra-national lands), of spiritual origin from the sacred beings." It would naturally be supposed that the discovery of the shapes of the letters used in the above phrave would lead conclusively to a knowledge of the formation of the Pehlevi alphabet. This is true but in a limited sense only, for by a comparison of the coins struck in different reigns, the forms of the les-

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ters employed in the legends are found to be continually varying, and are, as already mentioned, the chief obstacle met with by all those who are interested in the attribution of Sassanian coins. These puzzling variations are well illustrated in the alphabetical tables inserted in the four preceding pages which were carefully compiled by Dr. Mordmann for his own use from the coins in his cotlection and published by him in the I.M.D. & for 1880. Although substantially his work they have been tedrawn for this work in a rather more convenient form.

Mint monograms.

While the elucidation of the letters in the legends caused numismatests so much trouble another task of equal difficulty was encountered by them when the characters which are now recognised as an abbre realed form of the name of the mint came under consideration These letters commenced to be shown on the coins of Bahram IX, and from that period un til the end of the series appear on nearly every coin The position they occupy is always on the reverse and to the right-hand side of the coin, the opposite or left. hand side being taken up by the date in writing On pages 16 to 24 will be found a list of these abbreviated mint names, or mint monograms, as they are usually termed, which I have been at considerable pains to compile from mordinanns work. This is again followed by a list of the names of cities and towns which he suggests the nint-monograms might represent many seem to be easily capable of solu tion while others appear equally difficult. The mint. = Baba he considers to mean "Residence" or seat of the King, while 35 = Rud may stand for Fexatompylos or city of a hundred gales. I : R being the Paple or for one hundred and the 3 = d may be the initial letter of "dar" gate or door. This city was the Parthian capital anciently known as Tarima and is the modern Staterid "Rud" is the most prolific of all the Sassanian mints and practically every King made use of it. The number of mints used by the Arabs after the conquest is of considerable long th and made the list of them on pp 78-81 a necessary convenience

Ornamental marks.

A large number of these ornaments are to be found on the coins, the commonest of all being the crescent and star & This first appeared on the reverses of the coins of Firaz but later was used in a variety of positions in the field on both sides and also both margins. The arabs continued its use on their coins, adopted it as their emblem, and placed it on their banners. The next most common marks are the astral symbols & R which appeared very early, while the remainder below are mostly uncommon but have been observed on various coins throughout the regal series. They are arranged in their order of use on the coins, but some few were merely counter marks.

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The meaning of various words in Pehlevi found on the coins. (by Stickel).

3 au afid. value. (Safid = white.)

1 pu 3 au safid arun. while, or best, quality.

13413 au afid, or safid, nivaki. Vest while (i.e. silver.)

INPI, INII rivaki. good or best.

the sou afid, or safed beforeste.

warranted white.

pulc shulan. current.

wtic shustan. acceptable.

HUP dulan.

DHHo mar u revd. passable and current!!.

1 2 1x1 situ bfan. counterfeit through fraud.

1x 1 1 shubusu forbidden (to initale?).

t sh.

אני שני אוני מון של gadmin afzulu. (בי פי ופֹן פי אוני) Read by Mordsmann as "May god increase".

The sign read as gadmin is considered by others to be a monogram of the word 1x1 was afzulu, in a degenerale form, as shown by the following examples, www.

Rumerals (in words).

Although cippers are never found on Sassanian coins the use of numerals is common. From the time of Jamash, who commoneed the custom, the year of the ring's reign in which the coin was struck will be found upon nearly every one - but always in words.

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63	stu	se shash.	122	וווים א נום	, du sat.
64	bulluc	chār.	123	ושם שוו נשו	si vist satu.
63	putclo	panj .	124	m om tri nc	chaar vist sat.
66	bunku	shash.	125	on puricio	pary
67	שפשעם	aft.	126	عملم متم هوا	shash . satu
68	Ipra prin	asht shaster.	127	ന മപ്രണ	aft " sat.
69	المرساء	nuh shas!.	128	שלמושם עם	asht " "
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75	ای سه مسم	pany .	136	سس سور	shash . ,
76	strana	showh -	137	بيوم سار بيوا	aft. " "
78	med no a m	hisht.	138	ששם של חסו	asht
79	Fill no and	nau? "	139	ایم سریده،	rau
80	bu etu:	astrial = histiad.	140	ے سلام	cha ar sat.
81	an an can	yakshlat ?	141	سائىسا ددم	aik cha ar sat.
83	mma ra	si ashlat	142	طء درد لارم	du cha ar sal.
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99	IIIIai	nurietà.			
100	Ibu	salu . sad.			
102	ן עומו	du salu.			
103	litan	si satu.			
104		chāāt satu.			
103	ما) سم	panj sat.			
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SECTION I.

The coins of the SASSANIAN KINGS OF PERSIA

who ruled from AD. 226 to 652.

The drawings of the coins are from the originals in the British Museum, the plates of Dorn Thomas and Stickel, some of the descriptions by Rawlinson, while the legends are directly transcribed from the coins in the Brit Mus, Long péries work etc. etc.

ARDESHIR L. BABEKAN. A.D. 226-240



The coins of ardashir were struck in four different hyper. The earliest one is represented above where his effigy appears on the obverse, front faced, with the simple legend I DIS > \tag{\tag{LDIST} = marka bagi ariahshatr" The divine King ardeshir while the reverse bears the profile of his father, Baben, looking to the left, with the legend 13242 ID IN = marka bagi Pape. hi; "The divine King Baben". Both heads are crowned with the ordinary Parthian head dress with diadem and tiona: the head of ardeshir greatly resembling that of voluge ses T, one of the later Parthian Kings. The same description applies to our ho. 2 which is apparently the half Listiam.

The two letters on the B on the right of the head dress "I and "I may present part of the word "Mazdaiasn" or may dayasn = "tormazd worshipping" to.

The coins of the next type have a head on one side only, and were struck in the three metals, gold silver and copper,



together with another in the mixture usually called potion. The head is in profile, looking to the right and bears a highly ornamented liara, exactly like that of mithridates I of Parthia, the great conqueror. The legend on No 3, commences at the back of the head on the obverve and reads; - 21 27732x ="mazdayasn bagi" LEUNE [U "artashatt" [1113] x = malka air(an)." The Hormand worshipper divine ardeshir, King of Fram. The R. bears a fire allar with the legend commencing to the right of the flames | ELLUE | " artashatr", with 724 | L" nurage to the left, the complete phrase "artaskate nu razi mean ing, "The fire of ardeshir". Similar legends appear on 101 4:56 with Ob. leg .- 4436 0310 1512 251 20 11310 "mazdayasn bagi Arlashatt malka malkan" - The Hormand worshipper, the Divine ardeshir King of Kings. The reverses bear the same legend as that on no. 3 excepting No b. which has malkan malka" instead of "malka malkan" These legends all commence below the flame on the right hand and read from the inside, thus differing from the & of no 3 which must be read from the right hand in two lines commencing at the bottom after giving the coin a quarter turn. no. 7 has most probably the same



legends as 4.5, and 6, but are tather too obscure to say so with certainty. In the third period, while the reverse temains unchanged, on the obverse the Parthian costume is entirely given up; and the king takes, instead of the Parthian tiara, a low cap surmounted by the

inflated ball, which thenceforth becomes the almost universal badge of a sassanian monarch. The legend is now-longer-being issually that of the following; viz; the Ob. of no. 8. [113") [n [ET][n [11]] [I] [n][n [EU JE[u]]] [") 31 n ["magdayasn bagi artahshat malkan malka airan minu-



chate on yazdan" - The Hornard worshipping Divine ardeshir. King of the Kings of Airan, heaven-descended of the Gods." The R. has the same legend as on the R of 3-7. No.9. is of a somewhat different type but similar legends.

The jourth period is marked by the introduction of another profile in front of and facing Ardestur, in whom numismalists recognise his eldest son and successor strapus wearing a simple Parthian cap without or nament. The obverse legend on this piece is most probably the same as that on no. 3 but as some doubt exists it is reproduced without comment. No. 10 Begins behind ball. 1011 ~ 11-112 ~ 1011010



The reverse has; - 27 22 ?! LUENE !!! artabstrator rusagi," like his other coins, but miss spell.

Other varieties of spelling and lestering occur on the coins of Ardeshir and the following examples from Long perior may be found useful in the decipherment of their legends.

של נונו שנוא נונוא נונות בנט יא נווווא (מונות בנט בוא בוו לוווא) אמבספעפא Bagi Artahshatr Malkan Malka Airan.

R. J. Ill LENVIBU = ART a H SHATR NURA(Z)1.

MazBarasn Bagi ARTaHSHATR MALKAN MALKA A iran.

R. JUIL 1EU~LU = ARTAHSHATR PURAZI.

MazDayasn Bagi ARTaHSHaTR Malkan Malka IRAN Minu CHaTRI Min YazDay. A. Tulll マロントコリー ARTaR Ye. でした としいてはいいいいいいの「ログでは、いいいいいいいいの「ログでは、いいいいいいの「ログでは、いいいいいいの「ログでは、いいいいいいの「ログではいい」」というこのMazDayasn Bagi ARTaHSHaTR Malkan Malka AIRAN Min

R. JIDIZL TCUPCIU - AHTAH! SHOTR NURĀZĪ.

UchaTIRI Min Yaz (dan).

f Ob. 1111.3) 1 1x1(leell x Julyl Julix livu) 12 4231x MazDayaI(n) Bagī ART ART MASHĪR' Malkan ATRAN MINUchatrī Min YazDAN.

R. .. LITL ILUNES = ARTAHSHATR NURA(31).

g. R. ILUZZL ZEUZEZU = ARTARSHATR NURANT.

SHAPUR.I. A.D. 240-271.

shapurs coins resemble those of Ardeshir in general type, but may be distinguished from them, first, by the head dress, which is either a cap terminating in the head of an eagle, or else a mural crown surmounted by an inflated ball; and secondly, by the emblem on

the reverse where he introduces two supporters to the fire allow dressed in thingly gart; both figures pro-bably being representative of his own person It is reasonable to suppose that shapur's first issue consisted of those without the attendants to the allow, in initation of his fathers coins and that those described above may have been struck later. It will be noticed that the mural crown of shapur I has ear flaps hanging, a feature absent from that of Shapur I.



The following legends on coins of Shapur of the lipe of to 12 from Longporiers work may be found useful.

a Ob. JUS? 10 121101 [1111111111] × 15×10×10 111110

R. JNUJ INONL

א פון הא אור אור אורגארו מווח לחווא וגינארה הא אור מוני אורגארו האוח לחווא וגינארה מוניא מוניא ואינארי הא

at the end in retrogade letters is mazdayasn bagi shappater."

かしていびい しゅりか

Q. ШП ППАКИ all the above are intended to convey the same meanings as the

לווווינא וניוס נשועיבוטא ואירינוס משם

legends on No 12 but are somewhat jumbled, especially the last.

HORMAZD I. AD. 271 - 272.

Rawlinson says; "Hormisdas, who, according to some, founded the city of Ram Hormuz in Eastern Porsia, died in A.D 272, and was succeeded by his son or brother, Varatanes of Varahran. He left no inscriptions, and it is doubted whether we possess any of his coins." But Som and Mordinann their otherwise and are inclined to attribute coins of the following type to this rules.



14 06- [x Sn('slo sun(nin Inla [ulla 1310 ... u !) [usisix S(11-MazDarasn Bagi Aluhar) MozDi Makkan Makkan Ai-RAN (wa) Apririan Minucha Ten Min YazDa(N). The Hormandworshipper, Divine, Formand, King of the Kings of Iran and non Iran (extra national lands), heaven descended of the Gods. Lower line -) "D LOLL unread.

R. ~3-11% ~12NL = AUH (ar) MaZDI MAZDI =

Hormard the Mazdi (or fere worshipper).

BAHRAM. I. A.D.272-275.

15 Sust of King to r., with plaited beard in Parthian fathion, wearing a pointed crown which has ear flaps or opeck pieces and is surmounted by a globe studded with triple dots. Both hair and beard are arranged after the most severe and archaic style. The legend around the margin is not quite clear on the drawing, but others of similar type in some and Longherier have the following; -



R. A fere allow with symbol on its base has the King and another person as attendants. Legends land R. read; - WILL ININ. VARAHRAN NURAGIN; The fire of Varahran.

Other coms have; -

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R. .. 111 IUI ~ IZ = YARAHRÂN "NUR(āgi).

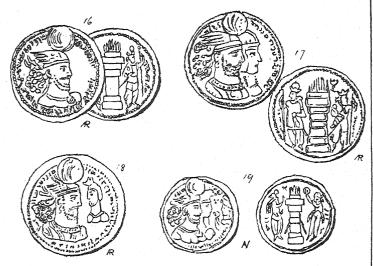
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A. SISSE IUICIL. This legend is somewhat jurnobled but is intended to convey the meaning given by the others

BANRAM II, AB 275-292

Four different types of coin were struck by this monarch. The first of them shewing the postrait of Varahran by him - self only. On the next series he is again shown but accompanied by his wife the lucen consort. Later the profile of his son and heir apparent is introduced on the coin and placed face to face with his father while the fourth weries presents him facing both father and mother



The King is presented wearing a winged diademouser mounted with a ball for his official liara while the queen has at first a jewilled cap which has later a boar's head as ornament. The same device is also worn by the son where he faces his father but in half it books more like an eagle's head than a boar's.

17 Ob. and R. similar reading

18 Or. I LO IZECZEN LUZILUZIU UZIN LUIN LUIN ZZI CES ENIZIN
MAZDAYASN BAGĪ YARAHRAN MALIKĀN MALIKĀ ĀĪRAN (WAANI)RĀN
MINUCHATRĪ MIN Y(asdam). R. 11212 IIII = & 20.16.

19 Similar.

Other legends with same readings from Longherier.

BAHRAM III, A.D. 292.

The legends on the coins of this King are barbarous' and miss spell but apparently are similar to those on No. 18.



20 000

מיווון שוו אוטן מוכטו סו אואוטו און

Mazoarazn Bagi vaRaHRAN MalkAN MiNuCHATRI MIN Yazo(AM). The Hormard worshipper, Divine Varahran King, heaven descended of the Godo". R. as on ho 18.? Other legends from Dorns plates, mostly barbarous.

מוצנח הד וואוח מואח סופה חוצוחואות מוצוח אוא

R SILL MUICL

מוצנון ער אווייישוותומית תחחוווחייים און מוצנון אייי

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מרנניש עב ניונו ול מואויון 10 אויון שם ש

NARSAHĪ, A.D. 292 - 301.

Narsahi was defeated by the Roman emperor Galerius with whom he was at war and obliged to surrender mesopolamia Kurdistan and other Persian provinces to him.

21 Aust of Rarrahi to r. beard tied, and official tiara consisting of socialed crown with surmounting globe.



Ob. [U35] (x) NEC (x) [U] W (1) [U] SA STINE IN [11] [11] MAZDAYUSN BAGI NARSAHI MALITAN MALITA ATRAN MUNU-CHATRI MIN YAZDAN. - The Hormazd worshipper Marsahi King of the Kings of Iran, heaven descended of the Gods."
R. NSUNI MARSAHI NUTASI "The fire of Marsahi."
Other varieties of legend from Born's places.

מוניים עיין אוריתינו מוות מנותול תו מייי בים

R. WILL awssel. Narsahi NURA(35).

のb. lo...nclle ใบเรียาใบบบ บรุเทาบรุเกาผมใ か โกเบ Maznarasn Bagi Narsahi Malkan Malka Āirān (103) ไ Ka ĀNIRĀN MiNuChat (Rī) Min Yaznan = "The Hormagd worshipper divine Ransahi, King of the Kings of Fran and non Iran (extra-national lands), heaven discended of the Gods. B. SIUIL Soull = "harsahi nurazi". The fire of Marsahi.

HORMAZD IL, A.D. 301-309.

22 Ob. Bust of Hormard to the wearing a crown in the form of an eagle with a heart dropping from its beak, and surmounted with a ball. He is also wearing a heart drop in the ear and a necklace with a class in front. The legend is in full but the letters are somewhat ill formed; -





אות שואחוחון סולהקוף – אולר הווחווחון מולרה אנאסל הה למולוא איטסל ההו היולוא אי

Mazdayasn bagi AHAR MUZDI malkan malka Airan wa Aniran minuchatri nun yazdan. "The Homazd-worshipper Motmazd, King of the Kings of Sran and non-Sran [extra national lands], heaven descended of the fall R. Fire allar with the Kings head as Hormazd (the principle of light) in the centre of the flames. The figure of the King on the left and an assistant on the right acting as quardians of the sacred fire. Leg; will - will acting a guardians of the sacred fire. Leg; will - will acting a guardians.

23 Ob. of similar type to 22 but curtailed legend; -

(431) LA SIECZIA (4) HI (11 (11 (11 (2) 1)) LA

The Normazd worshipper Auharmazdi, King of the Kings of Sran, heaven descended of the Gods." R. ILCLI VISS

Bungled and incomplete, but probably for "The fire of Horman

SHAPUR IT, A.D. 309-380

The cours of Shapur II, were struck in four different. metals; viz - gold, selver, copper, and poten, and accord. ing to mord/mann "may be divided into three classes, corresponding to three periods of his life. The earliest have on the reverse the fire-allar, with two priests or quards, looking towards the altar and with the flame rising from the allar in the usual way. The coins of the second period show the allar without attendants similar to those of ardasher I while those of the third period are of a greatly inferior type and exhibit a marked degen eracy. They are distinguished by a tesersion to the first. type in having allendants to the fire-altar and have in addition a human bush set in the middle of the flames that rise from the altar. Many of the earlier coins bear a symbol on the shaft of the allar and various ment monograms (now first appearing) are shown below the base, while on those of the third period, the allar-shaft bears the word (nus = rasti = truth" or a mint monogram.



ri min yazdan. "The Hormazd worshipper divine Shapur King of the Kings of Iran, heaven descended of the Gods."
R. ISULL AN(0) NU - Shapuhari nurazi. Fire of Shapur.





25 Ob. Bust to r. facing leg; - 200 NH = SHAPURI (?).
R. Fire allar without attendants or legend.

another of similar type in gold has the unintelligible leg;

OF. TI -013- NHOR WARL

R. MINIE WINKE

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26 Ob Rude bust to t. with retrogade legend; 25 50 25 =

RUPHS = Strapus. R. Fire altar with bust facing t. in

the midst of the flames and two crowned allendants. No

legend but the mint monogram 111 - si on allar-shaft

another of similar type in E has the leg., 11131-15
These are some smaller coins in silver with the following or.

d. naments in front of the face of the bust. *

ARDESHIR II, A.D. 380-384.



Rawlinson remarks; " The coins of ardeshir bear a head which is surmounted with the usual inflated ball, and has the diadem, but is without a crown, a deficiency in which some see an indication that the prince thus referesented was regent rather than monarch of Persia. 27 Oblegend, x 2 t U N t 2 U U 10111x - MazDayan BaGI AR. TaH SHATR M(alka) = The Hormand worshipper andeshit King. R retrogade legend, - 2211 = nura(gi). The fire(of andashirt) a another has will 136x = 350 14 ~ 611 (1) 1360 =MaIDaYaSN ARTAHSHAGR MALKAN MALKA AIRAN. R. no leg: another, 1330 2011/10 (1) 11 10 R, no legend. on others the legend is unintelligible and the coins are identifiable by the head-dress only. SHAPUR III, A.D. 384-386. "The coins of Shafur II says Rawlinson, present some unusual types On some of them the King has his hair bound with a simple diadem, without crown or cap of any kind On others he wears a cap of a very peculiar character, which has been compared to a biretta" but is allogether "sui generis". The cap is surmounted by the or-

character, which has been compared to a biretta" but is altogether "sui generus". The cap is surmounted by the ordinary inflated ball, is ornamented with jewels, and is bound round at bottom with the usual diadem. The legend upon the obverse of Shapur's coins is of the customary character; but the reverse bears usually, besides the name of the king, the word "? \bu ature i; i,e." the fire (of shapur) "which from this period onward replaces the word "NURAZI" previously used and having the same meaning. The coins of both shapur III and his predecessor, ardestrir II have little about them that is remarkable and exhibit marks of decline, especially on the reverse, where the draw

ing of the figures that support the allar is very inferior

to that which we observe on the coins of the kings from the pur I to shapur II. The characters on both obverse and reverse are also carelessly rendered, and can only be deciphered with difficulty."



28 01- 1) 350 (4) 310 (7) (2) (2) 1 = (20) -10 = Ma2DaraSN Ba gi SHaPUHARI GHI MALKAN MALKA = The Hormand worshipping divine shapur — King of Kings."

R 22 11 - ~ 1 = SH(apuhar) ATURE The fire of Shapur."

29 (is described on the previous page and bears no legend!?)

30 05. Has a bust similar to the others but R of peculiar design other cours have similar legends but terminate with Malka" or malka Sran" while one in Sorn[IX 16], has the full legend of;

BAHRAM IV, A.D. 386-397

The coins of Bahram IV are of two distinct types, one of them being very unusual in presenting the King full-faced Both types however show him wearing his official tura, a mural crown with projecting horns and sus-

mounting ball. The reverses clockiffer in both, for while one of them has the kings bust above the alter in place of the usual flames the other is of the ordinary type with flames but each kind has attendants to the attar. There is also an other variety bearing the alter without attendants. The word ENDS = rasti = truth (sometimes retrogade) on the alter shaft is often found on the coins of Bahram and also on those of his predecessor that us. It in monograms are also beginning to be used, for which see pp 16-24.





R. W-5~52=Varahran'. On the allar shaft "rasti".

a another legend on a coin without altar attendants;

ob. 350 w310 255~52 " "210 = Mazdayasn bagi
Varahran gi malkan malka R. unintelligible.

b some of the coins like 31 have flames on the allar instead of bust.

32 05. 11 358 12 358 12 512 = "Varahran malkan malka".

BAHRAM IT and his sons YEZDIGERD and SHAPUR.

boins were struck bearing the names of both these princes
They are of the same type as 31 but the reverses have flames
on the alter and the words; - JE (333) or JE 331 = 132

dekirti and ~ 1 sha meaning yezdegird and shapur tespectively, the rest of the reverse and also the obverse in its ensirely temaining unchanged.

YEZDEGIRD I, A.D.397-417.

of art, but all bear a head of the same lype It is that of art, but all bear a head of the same lype It is that of a middle aged man, with a short beard and have gathered behind the head in a cluster of curts. The distinguishing head dress has the usual inflated ball a bove a fragment of the old mural crown, and further bears a crescent in front. The reverse has the usual fire altar with supporters, and is for the most part rudely executed. Mint marks are given on most of them and the word "rash" on the altar shaft often occurs.



34 Ob: Ψ 3(x st 533) () ["31x = MazDaJaJaN Bagi YezDi

KIRTI Mal KAN = "The Hormazd worshipper divine yezde

gird King". R. Mas no leg; but the mint w3 Kalzerunii is

seen to the bof the flame, with "rasti" truth", on the shaft.

a Other legends. Ob. ω 3 \ x ω 3 \ x > t 2 \ x ω 13 \ x \

Bagi RAM SHATRASI Malkan) YezDi KiRTi Malkan Mal KA. "The di
une and prosperous King Yezdegird King of Kings. R t 23 only

bagi Ramshatri Yezdegird":

هددرس در والمعدود درور المارور المار

Yezdegird."

YEZDEGIRD I and his son BAHRAM (Y).

The coins of this prince are of the type of to 34 with the bust and ordinary legend of Jez degird on the obverse but the reverse has parts of Bateram's name to the r. of the allar, viz; d. Ob. 33 x w35 x, c533 2 (2) ("3, x - mazdayasn bagī yezdeKerti malkan malka". R, 2 & 2 = Vahra (ran) alusi"."The fire of Varahram". above the flame is shown the mint monogram 5 ~ Her(at).

YELDEGIRD and his son SHAPUR King of Armenia.

e a small coin illustrated by Dorn" and bearing the portail of yeggegird is attributed to shaper on account of the word so shappluhari) instead of the usual legend found on yeggegirds coins. R. Fire allar but no legend.

BAHRAM V. A.D. 417 - 438.

The coins of Bahram T. are chiefly remarable for their rude and coarse workmanship and for the increasing rumber of mints from which they were issued (It is curious too that this period marks the increase of mints but decreases the length of the legend). The monarch's head dress has the mural crown in front and behind, but interposed between these two detached fragments is a crescent and a circle, emblems no doubt, of the sun and moon gods. On the reverse side to the above is shown the usual fire-alter, with guards, or attendants watching it. The

King's head appearing among the flames.



35 Legend on Ob 35% (US ~ 52 = VaRaHRAN Mal Kb). = Varahtan King. R 35 - Rad (Hekalompylos).

many varieties of legend occur both short and long but all contain the whole or portions of the following thrase; a. Ob. 1338 (1238 23 ~ 32 SUDUS (11) ["3. N-Magdayan bagi ramshatri Varahsan malkan malka. The Hormand worshipping divine and prosperous Varahran, king of Kings. The R of mans of these pieces present. 152 Varah (ran) in the margin on the right and often accompanied with 2003-tasti truth on the altar shaft but both are as often absent, while the mint monogram is a frequent feature shown either to the l of the fire, or behind the altar attendant on the t. discleen varieties of mint monograms will be found figured on the pages devoted to that purpose.

YEZDEGIRD II. A.D. 438-457.

This riler's coins differ but slightly from those of his father Bahramv. The principal points of difference are the alteration of legend, the mural crown which is now complete and the abscence of the King's head among the flames upon the altar. The legends are short and remarkable only in the fact that the word "Kadi" is introduced. This word modern authordies interpret as meaning either "fortunate" or victorious." Fourteen mint monograms are known of this prince.



36 Ob. 10 nb 23(311) N33 ((12) (13,10 = Maz DayaSN BAGI RaD)

Yez De Kerti Mal (KA). = The Hormard worthipping divone

and victorious Yez degird, King. R. N32L - 3311 = Yez De
Kelrti) Rivart, which has been translated as Yezdegird the

"worshipper or "adorer" (of Hormard).

Other coins have either a variety of the above legend or else of the following; It's 3333 ~333 V8 IUIS2 (2) ("30) abungled rendering of Mazdayasn bagi Malkan malka kadi yezdekerti." The reverses are similar to no. 36. on some while others have the mint-monogram in place of "nevari" behind the attendant on the t. "Rasti" "trush" is also found on the altar-shaft of some of them.

HORMAZO III. A.D. 457-459.

Up to the present no coins have been assigned to this ruler and Rawlinson wisely remarks on this point that "It is doubt ful whether we possess any coins of Normisdas III., the brother and predecessor of Peroses. Those which are assigned to him by different authorities either "bear a name which has no resemblance to his "or consider those bearing the name of Ram" to belong to him. But these latter "can not have been issued under his authority, since Ram was the quardian and general, not of Normisdas, but of his brother "Peroses. Ram is now read as Jamest. pr.

FIROZI, AD. 459-486.

The coins of Firoz are distinguished generally by the cres cent-in front of the ordinary crown, but otherwise are of two distinct types. One type has as an addition to the crown, two wings, one in front of the crown and the other behind it; while the other type is without either. These wings which were now first introduced became the distinguishing feature of the later coinage from Mhusni II onwards and passed to the arabs. The general charac ter of the coinage is rude and coarse the reverses showing especial signs of degredation and the legends are whostconsisting of three words only in the longest. The reverses have the usual fire allar and attendants but while some of them bear the Kings name and mint right and left of the allar respectively, or have the letter > - M and mint othen are recorded bearing a date way; that of the year of the Kings reign in which the coin was struck. The numerals are in words but become interesting in being the commencement of the use of dates on dassamian coins. The minds get more numerous amounting to forty.



37 Ob. has parts of 33250 × 33 13>>330 which although badly written is tecognised as meaning MazDaYaSN KaDI FIRUZI = The Mormard worshipper, the victorious Firoz.

R. has the letter D=M on the left which Mordsmann consid-

en to mean "Malka" - King, while on the right hand side is the mint monogram 25 RIU - probably for Rei (al Rayy).

BALAS: A.D. 486-490.

The coins of Balas bear on the obierse the head of the King with a mural orown surmounted by a crescent and inflated ball and are much like the coins of yezdegird II but differ from them in the important particular that flames are to be seen rising from the kings left shoulder. This is an exceptional peculiarity in the Sassanian series, but one which is found also among the Indo-Scythian Kings with whom Balas was so closely connected "says Rawlinson, who continues; "The reverse exhibits the usual fire altar, but with the Kings head in the flames, and with the star and crescent on either hand as introduced by Firoz." The mint-monograms known on the coins of Balas so far only rumber fifteen. To regnal dates are found on these.



28 Ob. 201352 332~ = HUKAD ValaKAS = The meaning of tolakas is obvious but that of Hukad is apparently unknown R. to l. of allar 1332 = Val KĀ ie. Balas. On the r. is the mint monogram 33 = ZD. = Jadrakarta.

KOBADI, A.D.490-530.

The coins of Robad were struck in two Kinds of type and ap frarently coincide with his two reigns, one before the usus p alion of the throne by his brother famasp (g. w) and the other after. Both of these types show the king wearing a musual crown with a crescent in front, and the usual inflated

ball and crescent above it, while an uplumed crescentis presented on each shoulder. The main points of difference
are that the coins of the second reign have wings above the
crown on the obverse and the regnal date in the Sekleri character (from eleven to forty-three) on the reverse, while both of
these features are absent from the coins of the first reign.
Both types bear a mint monogram which is always found
situated on the right hand side of the reverse behind the attendant. Ninety-nine different monograms have been
listed of this monarchs' mints.



39 Ob. 113 = Kava for Kavat, others have E113 KavaT = Kobad.
REUL3 = KavaT, to left, on T: the mint 111 = Aspahan.

40 Ob. 1 (2) W CU 23 = Karāt ĀFZŪNĪ = May Kobad increase.

R. on left of allar the date, 11- ~ 27 = Ruh bag 1729.
On the right of the allar ~ 11 = AH (malana) - Hamadan.

14 Ob. similar to 40

R. on left of all at the date, _ w (w=yax si = 31 with

the mint _ n MZ-magandaran (3) on the +.

42 Similar, dale (3) mint. 11 - Si for Seistan.

JAMASP, AD 498-9.

The accession of Jamash was due to the arch-priest of Hormazd worship who charged kobad with apostasy, brought about his banishment, and placed famasp on the throne Jamasp's rule had lasted for about two years when Kobad gathered an army defeated his brother, and resuming his former position, commenced a second reign which lasted 30 years, or so. The coins of Jamash bear two figures wearing mural crowns with inflated balls above. The King has resides two upsurned crescints below the ball. The second figure is much smaller and may be intended for a boy who is apparently offering vestments. Two differ ent offerings are to be found on these corns, one of them being shown below, which is of famasps first year, the oth er, found on the coins of the second and third years looks somewhat like a scarf - The reverses have the usual fire al tar and attendants, in this case accompanied with a star and crescent above, while like those of Kobad the regnal date and munt are to be seen left and right respecturely of the attendants. Twenty munt monograms are known of Jamask.



43 Ob. leg. xx = 3am, for famasp. Some of the coins of the second year have; - UU - xUI = 3am - asp right and left of the crown respectively.

R. Sale not shown but, 3110 = ainsti, - "one".
Mint, on right, 111 = Si for Seistan.

KHUSRU I, A.D. 530-1- 578.

as might be expected owing to his long reign, the coins of Khusru are very numerous. Breadly speaking however, They consist of two types only. The principal one is of the ordinary type with the Kings head (which on these coins is very attenuated I adorned with a mural crown having a crescent in front, and crescent and ball above, the ball in many cases presenting the appear ance of being in flames, or may perhaps represent an open flower of some Kind. a star is to be seen at each side of the crown, and three crescents are in the margin. The reverse is somewhat degraded but has the usual fire allar and attendants with the date and munt to left and right respectively. The second type is ex tant of the 34th regnal year only. It is remarkable in that on the obverse Khusru is presented full-faced The description by Rawlinson is so good that it well deserves repeating; - The head of the King is surmounted by a mural crown with a low cap" and crescent and ball above). The beard is close the moustache curled "and the hour arranged in masses on either side: There are two stars above the crown, and two crescents, one over either shoulder, with a star and crescent on the dress in front of each shoulder. The King wear's a necklace from which hang three hendants. On the reverse these coins have a full length figure of the King standing to the front, with his two hands resting on the hilt of his straight sword, and its point placed between his feet. The crown worn resent bles that on the obverse; and there is a star and crescent on either side of the head. Tunety varieties of mint-monogram are ascribed to Khustu on the list.



a the fifth year and after read IT w 1315 T KHUSRUI AFZUNI (of IT w)="may khustu increase" 45 Ob IT all -315 UT = Khustudi afzur,

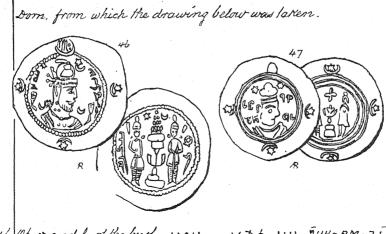
R. on r. ~ DO 50 ~ (- 3 250 E = NHUS RUDI CHHĀR SĪHĀTRUSTU (year) 34. On the left, 5 00 10 53 50 10 10 HOUT

This phrase has been translated by Mordimann as;
ViHAN JITĪBAM (or SITIBAN) KARTĀR "The worlds protector and master."

I have omitted to state that flames may be observed arising from the king's shoulders in both types.

HORMAZD IV, A.D. 578 -390.

There is nothing remarkable about the coins of this Ring, except to say that while they greatly resemble those of his father Khusru the type is of a much greater degeneracy; the Kings portrait getting more and more grotesque as the regnal years advance, and the attar attendants mere caricalures. These coins were vinitated by the Georgians and suffered in type still further. Four varieties of these pieces are given by



46 Ob. r. and l. of the bust, pau - 20 85~ H = AUHARMAZI

AFZU = (may) Hormard increase"

R. r. and left of the allar, the dale, = SU = ARBA = four and the mint, & t = MR = Mest.

Other parieties of ob. of 46, 50 Son R. teg. date 6.

do do R " 12

These are accompanied in each with a mint on t.
47 Ob. rude bust of Hormazd with Georgian (?) characters

to r. The and l. at AN OS Stephanos (AD. 610-19)
R. imitation of fire allar and attendants, no leq.

Seventy eight mint-monograms are known of Hormazd

BAHRAM II. A.D. 590 - 591.

Of Bahrams coins Rawlinson says; While there is numis malic evidence which confirms the statement that he struck money in the name of the younger Khusru, there are extant three! Types of his coins, two of which appear to belong to the time before he sealed himself upon the throne, while one the last belongs to the period

of his actual sovereignty. In his pre-tegnal coins, he copied the devices of the last sovereign of his own name who had ruled over Tersia" but of rougher type and workmanship (which is perhaps excusable when the exigences of camp life-where they are believed to have been struck are considered! "He adopted the mural crown in a decided form, o-mitted the stars and crescents, and placed his own head amid the flames of the fire-altar. The later coins follow closely the coins of his predecessor, Hormand IV; differing only in the legend "and the abscence of the stars in the crescents on the margin. The date, which is uniformly "one", occupies its usual place on the left of the altar, and is accompanied, also as usual, with the mint on the right. Six mint-monograms only are, so far,



Known of Rahram VI.

48 Ob. leg., in imperfect letters, reversed,
~1C ш 5 ~ 5 L = YarRaHRAN CHUP (for
bhub, = "Varahran bhotsin, i.e, of the
mace" says Thomas.

R. III = ai or Si (the mint ?) on the r. to l. the date (?) He =

(These coins were largely imitated and used for many years in the vicinity of Bukhara.)

another variety of legend (unread) is borne by a coin in Vincent Smith's bat of coins in the Indian Museum, bat cutta. Ub. 10 W CHUDON R. No legend.

19 Ob. JYOU - μ3~SL = YaRaHRĀN AFZUĪ · (May) Bahram increase. R. Dale and mint; - on left - 31-11 = ainκι = one, on r. L1 = NAKHCH = for hakkchewan.

BASTAM. AD. 592-596.[?]

A coin of this king is figured by Thanawalla in the Mum. Sup. Jour. Pos. Socy of Bengal, Ro XXVI 1916, the same being corrected with emendations by Faruck in Ma XXVIII

Ob. legend and monogram: CU IY OU 6~ DUI ICHO FIROCHT VESTAHMT AFZUN = "Long live Bastam the victorious." R. Dale and mint. On left. USU = astra=ten. On right. 35 = R.D. (Hexatompylos).

KHUSRU_11., A.D.590-628.

boins were struck by the second Thusru in the type that afterwards was so much used by the Arab governors. Raw-linson in describing them says; "the ordinary by he has on the obverse, the King's head in profile, covered by a tiara, of which the chief ornament is a crescent and star between two outstretched wings. The head is surrounded by a double heart bordering, outside of which, in the margin, are three crescents and stars." It will be noticed that on the coins of Thusru and the rebel Bastam, and also of some of Thusru's successors, the termination of the legend on the obverse is followed by a monogram thus; A. The meaning of this monogram was formerly mich discussed, but modern authorities are now fully agreed that it is sumply a two fold rendering of the word "afzun" increase; or long life" its duplication on

The same coin being probably due to the ignorance of the artificer of its meaning on the earlier pieces. The recover

shows the usual fire-altar and supporters, in a rude form enclosed by a triple pearl bordering. In the margin, outside the bordering, are four crescents and stars. The legend is merely the regnal year and a mind many of which marks eighty nine will be found in the list under the name of Thustu II.

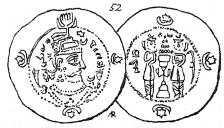




50 Ob. leg., - 10rau - Sur = KHUSRUI AFZUT = (may Khustu increase R. Regnal dale and mint, to left 1 pw 1(10 = panj vist = 25, to right so FR = (Farsislan). 51 Similar, but 473,

KOBAD II, A.D. 628.

The coins attributable to Kobad resemble in their principal appearance those of Thusru II, and ardashir III, but Kobads head-dress has no wings, and the crescent-above encloses between its ends a ball of flames (" in stead of a star. While the King wears a double row of pearls as necklace, the bordering of pearls is single on obverse and reverse, instead of double like Kobads.



mont-mon 8.

52 Ob. leg; - 16 La 10 112 = KaVAT FIRUCH - Kobad the victorious (The end strokes are considered by some writers as some ply representing a full stop. Breg. date and mint l and r.

respectively. No tarin = two. 113 DA = Darabjord.

ARDASHIR II, A.D. 628-629.

There is little originality about the coins of Ardashir which greatly favour those of Alhusru II. It is head-dress much resembles a turban instead of the mural crown, but otherwise the features peculiar to Khusru's coins such as the outstretched wings enclosing a crescent and star remain the same. They have, however, like the coins of Robad II, a single row of pearls as a border on both obverse and severse M.m's 22.



53 Ob. leg; - Ir au 10 ND W = ARTASHATR AFZUN = (May)

Ardashir increase. R. leg., reg. da/c (not-shewn) and

mint, left and right respectively, - p 50-larin, two

113 DA = Darabjird.

Up to the present time no coins have been found that can with any degree of safety be attributed to the three rules, shahrba tay, Thussu or fuvansher. Long pener has illustrated in his work two that he doubtfully assigns to shahrbanay but the attribution has found but little favour, and is descredited generally by later authorities.

BORAN (2ucerr) +0 630-631. 2

The drawing and description of the coin shewn below is from a paper by Transavalla in the Rum. Sup four as society Bengal. No. XVII. 1911., corrected later by Parick in No. XXVIII. 1917 of the same journal. The reverse is not shewn here as it identical with that of Bahram VI fig 49, in this work. Coins of the regnal years one, two and three are known of this Lucen and also two mints viz; Nakhohewan for Ruhchaeun and Yezd.





54 Ob. Bust of Lucen to T with trava by crescent and ball be tween outstretched wings fewels encircle the crown and are also interwoven in the long curls which reach her bosom Leg to T. IMI - BURANI, to l. D W = AFZUT: "long live Buran. R. as on fig 49 - Yearlone - Nakhchewan".

KHOREZAD-KHUSRU A.D. 631.

55 Ob. Bust of sting to r. with his crown surmounted with crescent and star between outstretched wings. It is hair is arranged behind in a cluster of locks, but the boyish face is without either moustache or beard.

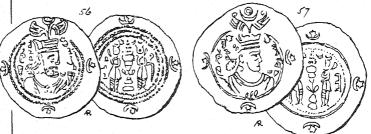
Legend to r. _ fur = KHUSRUI, to l. IDFOU = ĀFZUTU = "long live Khusru". R. not shewn but similar to the last with year pub = tarin = two.

Coins of the ephemeral rulers Firoz III, Ozermi, Khus-

ru I. to may have been struck, but up to the present have not come to light. The hice last described so of the same period, viz; AD bot; its attribution to thorogad - Thus ru being due to the youthful portrait upon its obverse this logether with its general appearance, renders its ascription to the reigns of either of the Khusru's I and I unreasonable. The drawing and partial description is from a paper apon the coin by Paruck in the Num. Sup. J. Q. S. Bengal ho. XXIX 1917.

HORMAZO V, A.D. 681-632.

The coins of this king differ but little from those of his predicessors, except in the official tiara, which has howered the usual wings, on these coins divided by a crescent and star. Six mints are recribed to Normand V



56 Ob leg. 101 W 105 \ \mu = AUHARMAZ AFZUTU =

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YEZDEGIRD III., AD. 632-641.

57 Ob Bust of King with official tears surmounted by wings, and crescent and ball. borrupt leg. מרש ביב ב"בסחק live yezdegird". R. Regnal date (not shown) and mint ביב ביני של בינים אינים בינים בינ

Section II.

boins of
The Arab Governors

Fersia.

The chronological data by Stickel and Mordmann.



The coins of the arab governors

The coins in this section possess a peculiar interest to On entalists generally for the reason that they were the first coins issued by the triumphant arabs at the beginning of Islamism, and their issue marked the successful progress of the followers of Muhammad in their attempts at laying the foundation of an Islamic empire.

The Asals were a nomadic race and therefore possessed no coinage of their own, but the want of one would be at once apparent to them when they commenced to rule a commenceal empire fully alive to the value of money and its usefulness as a medium of exchange.

The use by the arabs of the coins in existence would therefore follow naturally, while the only difference between the coins struck by the conquerors, and those of the conquered need consist of a change in the name of the ruler. A large proportion of the currency then in circulation probably con sisted of those with the head of Khusru I, and was doubtless he reason of its continuance by the arabs a few coins have been found that bear the bust of yezdegood III, but practi cally the whole of the cours in this section are of the Khus-The type alone. The dates found whom those bearing Khus nis name commence at twenty-five, and would lead one to believe that they were struck during the 38 years of Khusru's reign but for the fact that the arabs introduced a marginal legend on them, which is either Pehlevi, or Kufec, or both. The point then arises regarding the era to which the early dates have reference. They cannot belong to the reign of Nhussu, or to that of the first governors, so therefore most authorities agree that They present a continuation of the regnal years of yegdegind I: while those of later years belong to the Hijra era of the Muhammadans. The issue of this series terminates with the year &3 when they were supersided by the new coins of the Khalifas, struck at the seat of the Khalifate, then at Damascus, and also at many other mints, about the year N 76 = 4,9, 695.

Chronological table of the arabs in Persia (Sievel,

	A.H.	A.D.	
	13	634	Omar as Khalifa.
-	14		Invasion of Persia by the arabs. Battle of Ladesie.
	15	636	Conquest of Madain, (Residence of Yesdegird).
	16	687	Sensit, Mosul and Linkesia captured.
	17	638	Mesopolamia (Jegirah) subjected.
	18	639	ahway subjected.
	20		Shuster taken. Earliest date of the araticoins
			with Pekleve inscription
	21	641	Rehavand captured.
	22	642	defahan taken.
	23	643	Darabjird, Skapur, Islanter (Sersepoles), Skiraz
			Seistan, Mexian, azarbijan, Ithurasan possessed.
			Death of Omas and succession of Othman.
	31	657	Death of yezdegord III, and end of Sassanian rule.
			First year of the independence of Tabarustan.
	35	655	Death of Othman and succession of ali
	38	658	Biyad bin abu Sofyan, governor of Basra.
	39	659	
			(residence in Istakhr!
	41	660	muawiya first Ommaiyad Khalifa.
	45		Ziyad ben abu Sofyan, governor of Scistan.
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	47	667	do. do. febel.

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50	670	Zuyad bin abu Lofyan, gov! of Khurasan, Sind
		Oman, Bahreen and many other provinces.
		al Hakim bin abi al assi governor of Rahrvan
		at the period A.H 50-53.
53	673	3 igad dies. Obcideella am Jiyad governor of Kufa
		Basta, Seistan and Khurasan.
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56	l .	Obeidulla deposed in Xhurasan and Saced appoint
60	679	do. again governor of Xhurasan.
		du. de. deposed, Selvin vin jujadappt
		Death of Muaurya and accession of Yezid.
-		(Yezid in 64 conquered Khwarezm and Bukhara!
61	680	Selim governor of Seislan in place of Obeidulla.
63	682	Abdulla bin Khazim administrator for the unor
		Thodox Xhalifa Abdulla bin Zulair till 73.
64	683	Death of yezid and accession of marwan I as
		Khalifa: in the East Abdulla bin Jubair.
		Obcidulla deposed as gov! of Basta & Kufa.
65	684	Death of Marwan and accession of Abdul Melix
		as Khalifa. Omar bin Oberdulla gove in
		Kirman until 70 A.H., Muhallet bin abu
		Sofra governor in Fars until 71.
66	685	abdul aziz bin abdulla good in Seislan; Muss'-
		ab bin Jubair vice gove in Irak for his
		brother abdulla bin Jubair until 71.
		Death of Obeidulla.
71	690	mussab subdued for abdul melik. Bisher bin
		Marwan goot in Irax till 78. Thallad
		bin abdulla gov I in Fant & Basra till 75
73	692	Abdulla bin Jubair, and his governor of Thura-
		san Abdulla bin Khazim killed.
74	694	Omeings bin abdulla bin Khallad gov: of Khum-
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75	694	Muhallet again gov! in Fass until y: 82.
		al Hay ay governor of Irak.
78	697	al Hajaj gove over Khurasan and Seislan and the
		whole Eastern half of the Whalifale till 96.
		Muhallebhis under gov! in Seistan till 79.
79	698	Muhalleb vice-gooz in Khurasan until 82 Peh-
		levi coins with Kufic insc, - al Hajaj
		bin Yusuf from 18 to 83.
83	702	Foundation of wasis by al Majaj.
		Death of abdul melix.

bhronological list of the Khalifas
ruling at the period during which
coins of Sassanian type were
struck by the Arabs in Persia.

The Orthodox Khalifas.

13	634.	Omar.
23	644	Othman.
35	656	ali

The Ommaigad Khalifas.

41	661	muawiya I.		
		yezid I.		
		muawiya ".		
		marwan I.		
		abdul melik		
3 3	705			
		Khalifa opposed	to the O.	mmaiyads.
64-73	684 -	abdulla bin ju	bair.	

Chronology of the Arab Governors and Vice Governors of Persian provinces whose names appear on the coins. (mond/mann.

	•	
		1. Ziyad bin abu Sofyan. Born H.1. Died 53).
A.H.	A.D.	
39	659	Governor of Fans and Kirman.
40-1	660-1	
45	665	do. Basta, and later Khurasan, Seis-
		tan, Sind Bahrein and Oman.
50	670	do. Kufa, Basta, Fars, Seistan,
		Sind and Hind.
		2. Obeidulla bin ziyad (Died 67.
54	673	Jovernor of Khurasan.
55	674	do. Basta.
56	675	resigned Khusasan.
57-9	676-8	do. Basta.
60	679	do. Kufa and Basta.
61.2.3	680-2	do. Stak, Kufa and Basta.
64	683	Fled to Samascus
		3. Selim bin ziyad (Sied 73.
61-3	680-2	Governor of Khurasan and Seislan. deposed.
64	683	deposed.
		4. abdulla bin amir bin zureiz bin Rebi.
29	649	governor of Basta
32	652	Pilgrimage to Menna.
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4.4. 35	655.	Governor of Rasta and Baktein.
41 Jena		do. Basra, Rhusasan, and Seistan.
42	66Z	do. Basta,
43	663	do. Farra, Fars, Seislan & Khurasan
44	664.	deposed.
		5. Samura bin Jondeb. (Sied 58.
15.0	665-9	Vice-govern of Basra.
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53 54		Governor of Basra after Juyact -
04	673.	deposed.
		b. Abdur Rahman bin Ziyad vin Sumāyz.
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59		governor of Khurasan
60	679	do, do
		must also have held post in Fars or Persian
		Irak from 52 to 54.
		7. Al Hakim bin abu al assi. [father of marwan]
19	640	Songuered Tuj, Rasher, and Barvis in Sind.
		sied in 35.
		8 Abdulla bin Khazim al Sulami. Sied 72
32	657-2	Vice-governor in Thurasan.
41	· [-	Governor of Khurasan.
43	1	Vice-governor of Khusasan.
	1 .	Governor of Khurasan for abdulla bin Julair.
		9. Omar bin Obeidulla bin omar (or ma'-
		mer Jal Jaimi.
		nui jui sumu.

41	661	Went to Seistan as the companion of abdus Rahman
		bin Samura and abdulla bin amir, Under gove
		ernors of Leislan.
64	683	Governor of Bassa for the opposition Malifa,
		Abdulla bin Jubair.
58	687	Under-govern t of Fars.
		10. muss'ab bin Jubair. (brother to abdulla).
67	186	
68	587	Governor of Bassa for his brother. (part of year),
69-70	1588-0	do. and Tuja.
109 70	7	
		11. Abdulla bin ab probably abdulla bin
	:	Rebi al Makhzumi
64-7	683-6	Governor of Basra for abdulla bin Jubair.
		12. abdul aziz bin abdulla bin amir.
65-6	684-3	Governor of Seislan for abdulla bin gubair.
		13. Islam of Khazima ??
		no information regarding the seaser.
		24 / 1
		14. Kaklan Khulai.
		The state of the s
		Hajaj bin Yusuf had as an Under-governor in
		Kirman a Jas = Ladan bin Kabissa bin.
		(note. "Krulai" has the meaning of Lord or Govern-
		or.
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-			15. Muhammad bin Abdulla bin Khazim.
	64	683	Vice governor of Heras for his father.
			16. (? Rukad al aleri. (? bin askat).
			Ro information.
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			nothing Known.
			18. Olba bin Abdulla. Patib bin asud (Essid)
			Rothing known.
			19. Muhammad bin Musalman.
			nothing known.
			20. Omeiya bin Abdulla bin Khalid bin Essid.
	74-6	693-5	Governor of Athurasan.
	77	596	do. do. and Seistan.
	78	697	Vice-governor of Suislan.
			21. Thalid bin abdulla bin Thalid bin Essid.
	71-2	690-1	Governor of Basra. (deposed in 73.
			22. Romaira 12) or 21 Mughaira bin Musal nan.
			nothing Known.
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		23. Kalari vin al Frija.
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		Nothing Known.
		24. Michaelet bin abu Sofra.
64	683	Governor of Thurasan.
67	686	do. mosul, Jazzir, Ozarbaijan and
•		armenia
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		25. Majaj bin Jusuf.
75	694	Governor of Kufa.
78-92	697-	do. over the whole Eastern half of the
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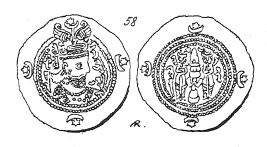
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The anonymous coins of the arcibs in Persia.



58 Ob. Bust of Khusru I with Peklevi legend: - Afzutu Khusrui = Long live Khusru" R. Date (thirty) and mint Susa left and right respectively.

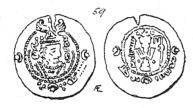
The coin figured above is one of the ordinary lipe of the coins of Khustu, and is drawn to illustrate the difference between his coins, and those of the arabs, who adopted it for their currency. On the anonymous coinage, the sole difference consists of an introduction on the margin of an arabic phrase, such as Bismillah" or Bismillah rabi but still bearing the name of yesdegird or Khusru. These names are however, abolished on the remainder of the se ries, and that of an arab governor substituted, together with many variations in the marginal legend. The ear liest date known of the series, anonymous or otherwise, is of the year twenty and bears the name 103111 Iskertiyezdegird, instead of that of Khusru, which seems to indicate the issue of the coun to have been in the twentieth regnal year of yesdigerd, which would be equal to the 32 rd year of Ayra (or 652 AD). As however arab historians inform us that coins were struck by the conquerors in H.17, it may be ossumed that the date in question was of the hyra era. all the other anonymous coins bear the name of Ahusru as above and have dales ranging from 25 to 57. some of

them possibly being but a continuation of yezdegirds regnal years, while others may mark their date in the new Hijra era. 24 mints are recorded as striking these anonymous coins.

Coins of the Rhalifas. (The supreme power.).

ALT . H.35-41.

The copper coins below, drawn from the originals in the British Museum, are assigned to als on the strength of his name in the margin.



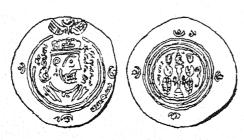


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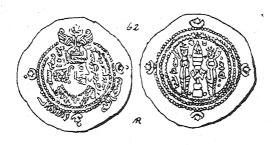
R. Fire allar, to left 1000 000 = asht skastu = 68, to t.
mint 113 = Da(rabjord). Margin 150 10 pow = afgulu
"ali-"Long live ali"

60 another coin of the same type countermarked 8) = = "jamleh" meaning full," i.e. full weight".

MUANIYA I. (abdur-Rahman I hin abu Sofyan. 4.44-60.



ABDUL MELIK bin MARWAN. H:65-86.



Coins of this Khalifa of the type of No. 61 are Known with two varieties of legend in front of face.

- 16" plos on APDUL MELIK AMIR I

WYWITI) VURUISHNIKAN = of the Roseish clan

Re Dale 70, and mint DW = AUT - Ul.

Besides the usual marginal legend of self-we "bismillah" "in the name of god on the right, there is another on the left in Schleve, which mordmann says apparently reads; — durist 22 or duist 200.

another variety of legend reads; -

— 216 Pau APDUL MELIK- I abdul Melik bin

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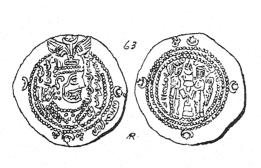
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minds are recorded of abdul Melik.

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ABDULLA bin 2UBAIR. H. 64-73

Two varieties of legend are known on the coins of this that lifa, both of which are illustrated below.



As can be seen they are both of
the usual Khusni type and also bear
the word "bismillah" in the margin, which in fig. 64 is accompanied with a Fehlevi word, -10 - bifrui. 1!1.

63 104. WENDY W APOULA AMIR abdulla amin WYWNYSI VURUISH MIKAN of the Korrish clan.
Other varieties in the letters spelling "abdulla amin are known; - 26 NTW-2000 NWW - 28 NTW.
while the spelling of Vuruisknikan varies greatly.
The reverses bear dates from 54 to 63 with a variety of mints.

64 Ob. INTON APOULA abdulla "
WLY IZUBAIRAN. bin jubair.

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deveral varieties are also known of this legend:
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Coins of the governors.

1. ZIYAD bin ABU SOFYAN. H. 39-50



65 Usual type with bismillah" in the margin.

Ob: DUW ZIYAT Ziyad Wew Iw I i ABU SOFYAN bin abu dofyan.

A sale 51, and mint Bsa for Bishapur (shapur in sars).
Other varieties in the spelling of the name are;

a hour bushes in the spelling of the name are;

For other dates and mints see lists.

2. OBEIDULLA bin ZIYAD. H.S4-64.



by Ob. Similar to 66. R. Dale 64, mint Iran.

For other dates and mints see lists.

3. SELIM bin 21YAD. H.61-64.

The coins of Selim are of similar type to the preceding coins but bear the following two lined legends,—

whish was Selim is selim bin wars wars wars 21ATAN Ziyad.

For dates and mints see lists.

4. ABDULLA bon AMIR. H. 29.44.

The coins of this ruler are also similar, but have the two lined legend;—

WYOU APDULA abdulla

) ~ i AMIRAN bin amir.

For dales and mints see lists.

5. SAMURA ben JONDEB. H.45-54.

Coins applicable to this name have the legend;
21561 SamuRA i Samura bin

WOULY ZUNNAPAN Jondeb.

R. Dale 43, and mint Sarabjird.

6 ABDUR-RAHMAN bin ZIYAD. H. 59-60.

The coins attributed to this rules bear the following:
HILL W FULL APDURAN? Abdur Rahman

WENS OF WON I iziTAN bin fiyad.

(The reading of the name of Abdur-Rahman is not convincing but authorities such as Thomas and mordinann accept it as possible.

For dates and mints see lists.

7 AL HAKIM bin ABU al AASSI. H.



67 Ob. _ + W hAN.M i Hakim bin weSiw ABU-L-aZAN Obu-l-azan. marginal legend of will am bismillah al Hakim

"In the name of God, the judge."
For dates and mints see lists.

8. ABDULLA bin HAZIM. H.32-48 \$ 64-70.



bs Ob. 11 40 APOULA Obdulla bin For dales and minds see lists. Other readings of Starts of the usual bismullah"

The marginal legends consist of the usual bismullah"

in the third quarter, accompanied with two words countermarked in the first and fourth quarters; —

viz WOIG SHUTAN meaning probably the Sassanian "shatri" and modern) is shatri city", which, in conjunction with the other word 12 www miss
spell for Oprshat, may be rendered City of Abushahr.

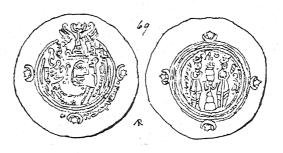
For dales and minss see lists. Other readings of

the name of abdulla bin Hazim by different writers are;

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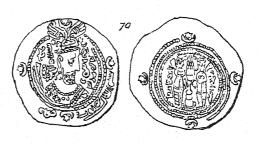
Mordinann remarks that the spelling on some of the coins reminds him of "Hisham" L" O II ~ "Hish = aman, but one would think azim or aman night also be read (see a and e.).

9. OMAR bin OBEIDULLA. H. 64-68



bg Ob. as usual, but, while many of this rulers coins have "bismillah" in the margin this one has instead;
"Jour allah al hamid" "Braise be to God."

10. MUSS'AB bin ZUBAIR. H. 67-70.



70 Ob. as usual but with the addition to "bismillah" on the

margin of the Schleri word _ Do; Bapromi of which
the meaning is not clear.

The rulers name is in the usual place in two lines;
w(to wcft muzap musa'at

what where we can be gubair.

For dales and mints see lists.

11. ABDULLA bin AB

Coins are known bearing the unidentified name:
July au APDULA i abdulla bin

Jul AB -- ab....

R. Dale 66, and mint yezd

12 ABOUL AZIZ Sin ABOULLA sin AMIR.

The coins of this ruler bear the following legends:
- 10 CIYO 10 CUSY CU APDULAZIZU:

WISINISTAU MISINITAU APDULA TAMIRAN.

abdul aziz bin abdulla bin amir.

For dales and mints see lists.

13. ISLAM bin SOFYAN.

boins are known which bear the following legend that so far has not been safely attributed . It does not appear to read selim.

Thomas reads the name as pij aglam while mords mann lensatively suggests we ji "Thazimas"

The only date known is that of by with the mint name of Jadrakarta.

14. KANTAN KUTAI.

Coins ascribed to the above bear the following legend:
W Du T KATAN

W DW KUTAI

A. has dale own of shast by, and minh wh Heral.

15. MUHAMMAD bin ABDULLA bin KASIM.

Coins ascribed to this rules bear the following legend:

12. dale 67, and mint Herat.

16. RUHAD ATEKI bon ISKAT (?1/58810 ?).

The reading of the above name from the two line legend next following is mostly conjectural but fits the lettering fairly well.

17. ABDUR-RAHMAN bin ABDULLA.

boins bearing the following legend are extant, but nothing is known regarding the rules mentioned.

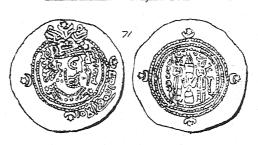
PUMDOU APTARAM abdust rahman

PUMYOUS is APDULAAN bin abdulla.

R. These coins are known of the years 72 and 73 only, and were struck at a mint with the doubtful

name of Tauma or Taul, which mordsmann suggests may be Hamadan, (ane Xavuv.).

18. OTBA (OF ATIBAH) Gon ABDULLA?



The name of the ruler on this coin has been much discussed but the reading below seems very fit.

Ob. wow a. W on ATIBAH Otha

WHILL WAY OF EABDULAN bin abdulla.

The legend on the margin is wow you bismillah wali al amir, by the grace of god vice regent."

R. Baled 72, and 275. mint Kirman, on both.

19. MUHAMMAD bin MUSALMAN.

boins bearing the following legend are known but nothing is known regarding the ruler mentioned.

Ob. Do 6 MUHAMAT (11) Muhammad

WHO I MUSALMAHAN bin Musalman.

(MUTAT = Modud would read bester.)

R. has the date 72, and mint. Bishapur.

20. OMEIYA bin ABOULLA.

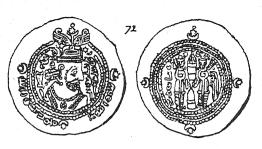
Three varieties in the spelling exist of this rulers name: - a whop by the by cwp AUMIYA

My row why who was i APOULANAN. =

Omeiga bin abdulla.

For clases and mints see lists.

21. KHALID bin ABDULLA.



Db. The ordinary type of Khusru, with the two lined legend;

- 112 LUW a - 10 LUW MARLITU I Khalid bin

MYRU APDULAAN abdulla.

The usual legend of "bismillah" in the margin is accompanied by WIJUW, LE Michammad rasul allah, "Muhammad is the prophet of God" in the third quarter.

For dates and mints see lists.

22. NOMAIRA bin MUHALLEB.

The following legend on a coin of the ordinary type has been transliterated by Mordsmann as; — w Jub 11 NOMAIRA Nomair

WYJUBS i MUALEBAHAN bin Muhalleb.
but Thomas reads it as "Al mughair à i musalman".

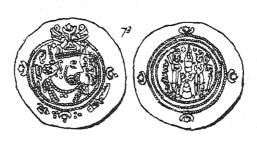
R. date 73, and mint ~ hahavain.

23. ABDULLA KATARI bin AL-FUJA.

boins are extant with the following two line legend; - wo Dw You APOULA KATARA abdulla Katari WWW I HOY AMIR I VARUISHNIKAN amir of the Horeigh clan or tribe.

R. daied 75, of three different mints. (see list.).

24. MUHALLES bin ABU SOFRAN. H.64-82.



The name of this governor appears in the following leg; —

Ob. — 10 hund MUHALADU T Muhalleb bin

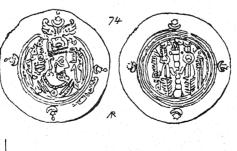
pudo 1C1 w ABU ZUFRAHAN abu Sofran.

Slight variations in the lettering of this leg: are Known.

Tor dates and mints see lists.

25. HAJAJ bin YUSUF. H.75-96.

There are two varieties of legend on the coins of Hajaj the first variety having also variations in the margenal legend.

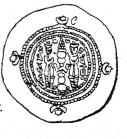


74 Ob. zlad al Hajajlbini

marginal legend, "bismellah."
R dale 83 and mint Bishapur.

75 Ob. similar but margin has; -

سم الله لااله الا الله × وحد محمد رسول x الله



"Bismillah laalah a la Allah wahid Muhammad rasul-Allah". In the name of god, there is no god but god alone Muhammad is the prophet of god". The other lipe of legend is on a coin in Markoffi cat; a Ob. ZLAI Al Hajaj pol ew of w bin gusuf amir. For dales and mints see lists.

26. ABOUR RAHMAN bon MUHAMMAD.

This legend is given by markoff in his calaloque.

I Mow You Sold, 9 sol apdur rahman bin

My Louyo lio lo muhammalan.

Section III.

The coins of the

ISPEHBED PRINCES

and

The arab fovernors of

Tabaristan.



Note on Tabaristan.

The ancient province of Tabaristan was situated to the north of modern Servia on the border of the basksan sea and was a vassal state to the Sassanian empire:

On the conquest of Persia by the arabs, the state seized the opportunity of declaring its independence under the rule of the Ispehbeds, who commemorated the event by striking their own coins, and dating them from the year of its foundation.

Tabaristan was subdued by the Muhammadans in 760 A.D., and administered by various arab governors in its entirety until 776, when a dual control seems to have arisen, and which lasted until the province became finally incosporated with Persia under the Khalifate.

Chronology of events in Tabarislan.

H.	A.D.	T.E.	
22	642		The Khalifa Omar sends his amirs Suyaid
			, we and yusuf'(ii) to subdue
			Tabarislan and Mazanderan which
			were tuled over by the Ispebleds, the
			Vassals of the Sassanian Kings.
30	650		End of the Sassanian dynasty. New pressure of
			the arabs under Othman's Commander-
			inchief said bin al assi.
31	651	1	yez degird assassinated . Foundation of the in
			dependence of Fatarislan. Its ruler a
			descendant of Kai, and an ardent
			'Jalanslan era.

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	н.	A.D	T.E.	
				fire worshipper named Saw, who reigns
				17 years.
	40	660	9	(Yow bare leaves live sons, Dabweik, and Ba
				dusepan, who became the ancestors of the
				Dabwahids and Baduspanids).
-	49	669	18	Balash succeeds Baw and reigns two years.
-	51	671	20	Baws son Sohrab on the throne.
-	93	711		Kurshid I's name on Tabarislan coins.
	97	715	1	The Khalifa, Suleiman conquers Yesd.
	99	717	66	bin Muhalleb over comes Jurian and Tabarus ?
	105	723	72	Firthan bin Dabweih reigns 17 years, and
				places his name on the coins of Fabarislan
-	117	7.35	84	Tabaristan forced to pay tribute to the Athalifate.
-	119	737	86	sad-burj-madan (bin Firkhan) is found on the
-	120	738	87	coins of these dates.
-				Chondemar calls him Dadh mihr = 190313
-	122	740	89	The coins of this date bear the name of Kurshid
-				and are supposed to be tribule money.
	132	750	99	abul Abbas al Saffah first Abbasid Khalifa.
				al Mansur succeeds to the Xhalifate.
				By command of al-Mansur, al Mahdi invades
				Tabaristan and slaughters the Ispenbeds.
	143	760	109	The amiss abul Khassit, Khazim bin Khuzai
				ma and Rauch bin Hatim make Tabaris
				tan submit, and administer it as gover
				now one after the other.
	144	761	110	Thurshid poisons himself after denouncing the
				History of Muhammad and thus ends
				the Dabwahid dynasty.
	145	762	111	Thurshid's name still on the coins.
	148	765	114	do. do.
	150	767	116	Thatid bin Barman governor for four years.
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90. T.E. 154 771 120 Omar kin al-ala governor. 158 775 124 al-mande succeeds to the Khalifale. 159 776 125 Omar bin al-ala and Said bin Daly governors close to one another till 162 A.M. 780 129 Omar bin al-ala and Yahya bin Mihmaf gover ors of Khurasan followed by abdul Hamed amonymous cours of this date Insurrection at Shirwan and Winda hormuz for the independence of Taberistan, subdu ed by al-Hadi (the heir to the Khalifale), and the general Yezid bin Mujed, and completed a year later by Yahrya al Harishi. 164-7 781-4 130 3 anonymous coins. and also Omas bin al ala. 168 785 134 786 135 al Hadi succeeds to the Thatifale. Jerir govt. 787 136 Harun al Rashid succeeds to the Schalifale. Jeser and maad governors. anony. mous coins of this date also. 172 788 137 Jerrit, Sulsiman bin Mansur, and Hani, gover. 173 789 138 Hani governor. 174 190 139 Mugalil, abdalla bin Lahlaba, governors. 140 abdalla and anonymous coins. 176 792 141 Ibrahim governor. anonymous cours. Insurrection of the alids under the leadership of yahrya bin abdulla. 177 793 142 anonymous coins in two varieties. 178 794 143 Zarin bin Shahryar. 40 854

List of the rulers of Tabaristan whose names appear on the coins described here in

The ISPEHBED frances.

	T.E	H	АД		TE	Н	AO
Khurshid I	50	93	700	Sad-bury mihr	83		733
Firkhan,	66		716	Thurshid I	88		238

The ARAB governors.

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-	Xhalid	116	766	Sole control.
-	Omar	119	769	

Dual control.

		d.	
Omar	T.E. 125-128	Said	T.E. 125-128
	129	yahya	129
anonymous	129-136		130
		anonymous	131-134
		Jerir	135
maad	136	7	136
Suleiman	136		
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Nani	137	anonymous	137
,,	138	?	
mukalil	139	abdulla	139
anonymous	140	•	140
	141	Ibrahim	141
	142	anonymous	142
	143		143
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The coins of TABARISTAN.

Generally speaking, the type of these coins is similar to the series last described, but several features are noticeable on them, which at a glance serve to indicate the difference between the two.

The Tabaristan coins are somewhat smaller in size, the word "bismillah" with me is absent on the mat, gin, the earliest date known is bo, and finally the mint is always that of wow to tapunstan.

The type of the whole series is similar to the one described below, but differences exist in the marginal legend as a few bear the governors name or other details in place of the words _ a wafid and 1011 "nivaki" which on most are the commonest features.

some of the coins are without the name of a ruler but have instead in the place which it usually occupies the world 10 You affect long live", these pieces are mostly of a late date.

The ISPEHBED princes.

1. KHURSHID I. T.E. 50 -66.



76 Ob Head of Khusru with the official liana and usual afzu as "monogram & and prav "afzu!" long live "behind; in front of face I aw IN KHURSHITU "Khurshid" marginat legend 3 an afid or sofid meaning white (silver)

R. Fire allar and attendants, on left. I know at shoot bl.

on right; wow I do TAPURISTAN. In margin four crescents

and stars with four sets of triple dots between.

Varieties in the lettering of thus shids name are;

I well, 16,15 JW, 1100 JW.

Dates observed on other coins: - 60.61.64.

2. FIRKHAN. T.E 66-83.



77 Ob. similar to no 76 but has the name www FIRKHAN.

The B.M. has one with with and dated 75.

R. similar to no 76 but with unrecognisable date.

Dates observed on other coins 10, 72,78, 75, 76, and 77.

3. DAD-BURJ-MIHR T.E. 83 - 88 .

The coins of this rules are also similar to no.76 but have, 1100 Jour TAPBURN METUN? with the date 87.
Other spellings are, 1120 Jew, and 1106 Jipol

4 .KHURSHID. II. T.E. 88-116.

This ruler's coins are also of similar type to those of thurshid. I including the spelling of his name:
100000 . A large number of dales have been observed commencing at 40 (1011=nutu), 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 111 and 114.

The ARAB governors.

5. KHALID bin BARMAK. T.E. 116-119.

This ruler's coins are also of the same type as No. 76, but have the name adven KHALIT or lady MHALITU, and are dated 118 and pure ash! deh sat, and 119 and Will nuaj deh sat, the only dates known.

6. OMAR bin AL'ALA. T.E. 119-129.

There are several variations in the wording of the name of 0mar on these coins, but otherwise the type is the same as
usual. The earliest variety has in front of the face, the usual position, the rulers name in Septent Low mar and on
the R. the dates In Inul vist sat 120 and no 21 2 HU
aivak vist sat 121 with the mint Tapuristan.
Variety number two has in Rufic per Omar, also in
the usual place, and in addition in the third quarter of the margin in Septent ILW Harun and bears on

Re, the dates up P vist-dusal 122 and mint-name.



The usual place and like the last variety the name 11 w "Harun" in the margin. The reverses bear the dales 124-5 Du Du Ju C chahar vist sat, and do "panch" vist sat. The fourth Kind has who will be "Omar bin ada" in the

field with Del wire on mar bin at all in the third and second quarters of the margin, but nothing in the first and fourth. The R. bears the same date as the last viz: - wow out and last variety has, like the second one, the name in the field in Kufic, and "Omar" but while the second quarter in the margin has the usual 3 w "afid," the third one introduces a new word 1011 which has been transliterated as Nivaki hrobably meaning "good" which combined with "afid" as "afid nivaki" may be rendered as good white," i.e. good silver.

The whole of the known dates of Omar in the different varieties are, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, and 129.

ANONYMOUS COURS. T.E. 129 -

boins of precisely similar type to the others but bearing 1000 afzulu "long live" instead of the name of a ruler were struck in the years 129 to 134 and again in 137 and also from 140 to 143.

7. SAID bin DALIJ. T.E. 125-128.

The coins of said are also of similar type but bear in the field, the name Seem or Sum Said and 1311 3011 afid nivari, "good while", in the margin.

another variety has the name etc. I want but Da-lij. The dates on Saids coins are: -125.126.127 and 128.

8. YAHYA AL-HARISHI (كاريشي) T.E. 129-130.

These coins are of the same type, but have 500 yahr

9. JERIR . T.E. 135-137.

The coins of ferer are in two varieties, the first having the word or en afzut in the field, and the name pop ferit in the third quarter of the margin, with 3 as afid in the second, and is dated 135 on pur CIO on the reserve. The other variety has the name pp in the field, and 3 all afid Inil revaki in the second and third quarter of the margin respectively. The R. are dated 136 and 137.

10. MAAD. T.E. 136.

These coins are of the usual with 500 mand in the field. The reverse bears the date 136

11. SULEIMAN bin MANSUR. T.E. 137.

Instead of the usual head of Khustu is a rhomsoid sigure with "ber" in the centre and a scrott below. To r. in field raches suleiman, to l. the monogram & and Drell "affect" Long live Suluman" In the second and third quarters of the margin 3 and "afid" In 11 rivaki. The reverse is indistind but bears Vis dale 137. IDN TH Del aft si salu.

2. HANI bon HANI. T.E. 138



79 These coins are of the usual type but have 2 Lo Hani in the field The & below is probably intended for the firs! letter of Sec 'adl' just". The words "afid nivari "are in the second and third quarters of the margin as usual.

The Re is dated we wow aft si sat, 137, and bears the usual mint, μιουιοο ΤαΡυκίς ΤΑΝ".

13. MUQATIL. T.E. 139.



name, I les Mugaril. The reverse has the date 139, 100 IN Pau si sat, and the mint Tabaristan".

14 ABDULLA. T.E 139-140.

These coins are also of the ordinary type, but the name is when ABDALLAH. The reverses bear the dates 139, 1 www wil haw sit sat, and 140 1 www Lwc charar sat. Mint as usual "Tabaristan".

15. IBRAHIM. T.E 141. (H.174.-40.790.)

Trese coins are also of similar type, but the name is we will IBRAHIM. The reverse bears the date 141 Duluc't AKUI' CHAAR SAT, and the usual mint of MDWIOU "Tapuristan".

many varieties of the anonymous series exist which have different arrangements of the dots, crescents and stars, also with the words INHI and & & also YY is of ele.

The last date known is 143, Du Luc H "si cha ar sat".

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